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For. **DIGITAL CAMERA CAPABLE OF IMAGE PROCESSING**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is responsive to the Final Office Action dated February 8, 2005 for the above-captioned patent application. Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows: